HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION SEPTEMBER 26, 2016 DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS HDP-2016-0568 4301 SHOALWOOD AVENUE

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1948 house.

ARCHITECTURE

One-story, roughly rectangular-plan, side-gabled frame house with a partial-width inset porch; single 1:1 fenestration.

RESEARCH

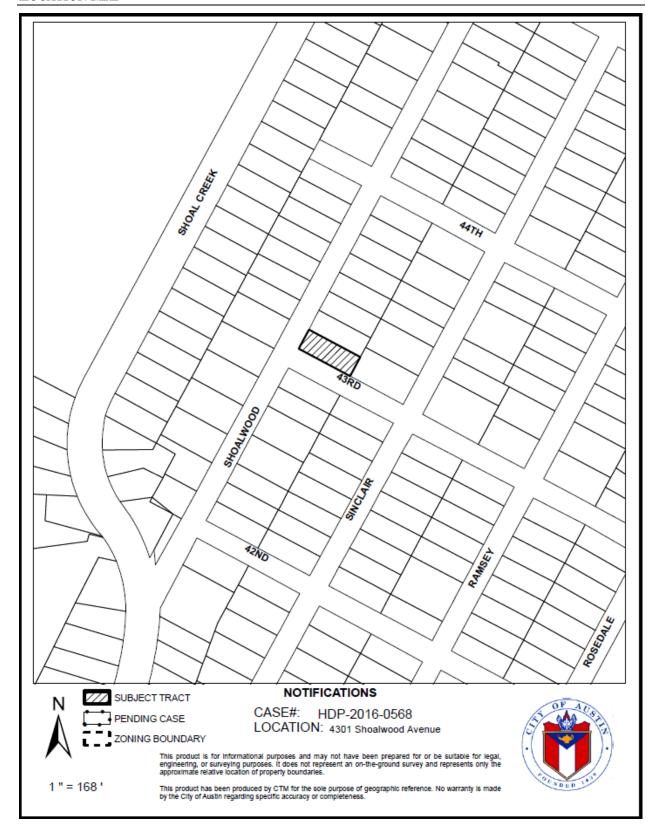
The house was built in the winter of 1947-48 by R.L. Haynes, a local developer. The first owners of the house were John and Bonnie Hickman, who lived here from the time of the house's construction until around 1950. John F. Hickman was a contractor who had previously worked as a policeman at Marshall Ford Dam. The house was a rental property in the early to mid-1950s, when it was purchased by the Henry family. A.R. and Ola B. Henry are listed as the owners of the house in the 1959 city directory; they lived here with his mother, Emma C. Henry, a widow who worked as a nurse at St. David's Hospital, and later as a babysitter. A.R. and Ola B. Henry moved on; Emma C. Henry remained in this house until around 1975. The house was then purchased by John D. Calkin, a city transportation planner, who lived here through the early 1990s.

STAFF COMMENTS

The house is beyond the bounds of any City survey to date.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Encourage rehabilitation and adaptive re-use, then relocation over demolition, but release the permit upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package, consisting of photographs of all elevations, a dimensioned sketch plan, and a narrative history, for archiving at the Austin History Center. While the house does not meet the qualifications for individual landmark designation, it is a very good example of vernacular post-World War II residential architecture in Rosedale, a neighborhood characterized by houses like this one.



4301 Shoalwood Avenue ca. 1948



OCCUPANCY HISTORY 4301 Shoalwood Avenue

City Directory Research, Austin History Center By City Historic Preservation Office August, 2016

1992 John D. Calkin, owner

Planner, City Transportation Department

1985-86 John D. Calkin, owner

Analyst, Urban Transportation Department

1981 John D. Calkin, owner

Analyst Urban Transportation Department

NOTE: The directory indicates that John D. Calkin was a new resident at this

address.

1977 No return

NOTE: John D. Calkin is listed at 500 S. Congress Avenue, Apartment 113. He

was an analyst for the Urban Transportation Department.

1973 Emma C. Henry, owner

Widow, Eugene Henry

Retired

1968 Emma C. Henry, owner

Widow, Eugene Henry Babysitter

1965 Emma C. Henry, owner

Widow, Eugene Henry Nurse, St. David's Hospital

1962 Emma C. Henry, owner

Widow, Eugene Henry Nurse, St. David's Hospital

1959 A.R. and Ola B. Henry, owners

Pipe liner

Also listed is Emma C. Henry, the widow of Eugene Henry; she was a nurse. **Note**: the 1957 city directory shows Emma C. Henry living at 2605 Lake Austin Boulevard; she was a teacher at the Enfield Private School. A.R. and Ola Henry are also listed at 2605 Lake Austin Boulevard. He was a construction worker.

1955 No return

NOTE: A.R. and Ola B. Henry are not listed in the directory. Emma C. Henry is listed at 2605 Lake Austin Boulevard; she had no occupation shown.

1952 Alton B. and Nita R. Paris, renters

Serviceman, Toledo Scales and Food Machines, 1329 S. Congress Avenue.

1949 John F. and Bonnie D. Hickman, owners

Contractor (office at the house)

1947 The address is not listed in the directory.

NOTE: John and Bonnie Hickman are listed at 4406 Sinclair Avenue; he was a carpenter.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES:

John F. and Bonnie Hickman (ca. 1948 – ca. 1950)

John F. and Bonnie Hickman appear in the 1940 U.S. Census as the renters of the house at 2613 Capital Avenue in Austin. John F. Hickman was 30, had been born in Texas, and was a policeman at Marshall Ford Dam. Bonnie Hickman was 31, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. They had a daughter, Bonnie, 7, who had been born in Texas. The family had lived in Llano, Texas in 1935.

Emma C. Henry (ca. 1958 – ca. 1975)

The 1940 U.S. Census shows Emma C. Henry as the wife of E.H. Henry, who rented a house in Fort Bend County, Texas. E.H. Henry was 47, had been born in Texas, and was a pumper for an oil well. Emma C. Henry was 45, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. They had 3 children: Lorene, 14; Alton, 12; and Annalou, 6. All of the children had been born in Texas. The family had lived in rural Travis County in 1935. Eugene Hollis Henry died in 1941 in Fort Bend County, Texas, working on an oil rig.

The 1930 U.S. Census shows Emma and Eugene Henry living in a rented farm house on the Smithwick and Bertram Road in rural Burnet County, Texas. Eugene Henry was 38, and is listed as a farmer on a general farm. Emma Henry was 35 and had no occupation listed. They had 4 children: Vaughan, 14; Hollis, 8; Lorene, 5; and Alton, 2.

Emma Henry died September 6, 1979 in Bowie, Montague County, Texas. According to her death certificate, she was born in 1894 in Burnet County, Texas and was a widowed housewife. Both she and her husband are buried in the Smithwick Cemetery in Burnet County.

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Building permit to R.L. Haynes for the construction of this house (1947)

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Water service permit to Bob Haynes for this address (1948)

Receipt No. 9152 Application	for Sewer Connection Nº 23656
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To the Superintendent of Sanitary Sewer	Division, City of Austin, Texas.
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Sewer connection application by Bob Haynes for this address (1948)